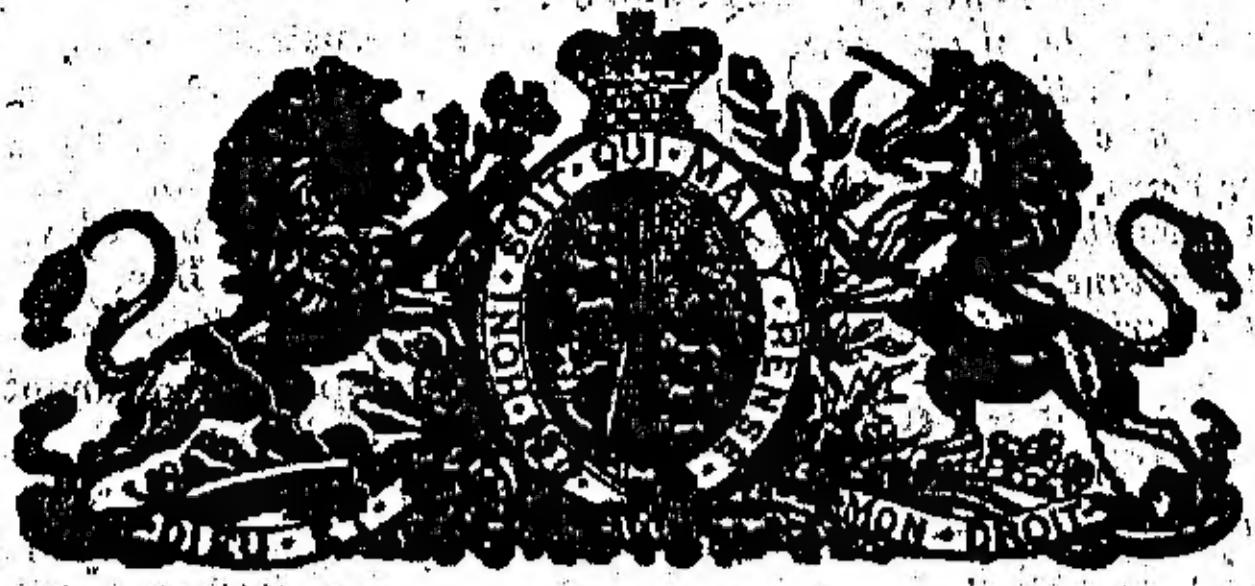


CHINA



MAIL.

Established February 1845.

With which is incorporated The "Hongkong Evening Mail and Shipping List." Published every Evening.

VOL. XXXIV. No. 4776. 第四十一月十年八十七百八千一英

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1878.

日九月九年寅戌

PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALBRECHT, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, George Street & Co., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENRY & CO., 4, Old Jewry, E.O. SAMUEL DEACON & CO., 160 & 164, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE BOISY, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 138, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and AMERICAN Ports generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE AND STRAITS.—SAYLOR & CO., Square, Singapore, C. HEINZER & CO., Manila.

CHINA.—MACAO, MESSRS A. A. DE MELLO & CO., Santos, CAMPBELL & CO., AMoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & CO., Foochow, BEDEK & CO., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WALEY, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, \$1,200,000 Dollars.

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—F. D. SASSOON, Esq. Deputy Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq. E. R. BEMMIS, Esq. ADAM LIND, Esq. H. L. DALMYPLE, WILLIAM KENNEDY, Esq. H. HOPFUS, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq. Hon. W. KIRKWOOD.

Chief Manager—THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager—EWEN CAMERON, Esq. LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED. ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 " " 12 " 5 " " 12 " 5 " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, August 16, 1878.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES OF Interest allowed on Deposits.

At 3 months' notice 8% per Annum. " 6 " 4 " " 12 " 5 " "

D. A. J. CROMBIE,

Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, July 1, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUS.

TRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, \$200,000. RESERVE FUND, \$150,000.

Bankers.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON Drafts.

On CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 " " 12 " 5 " "

1st.

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL,
HONGKONG.

THIS EVENING,
(THURSDAY), October 24th, 1878.

THE ROYAL ENGLISH OPERA
AND
OPERA BOUFFE COMPANY
will produce
WALLACE'S ROMANTIC OPERA

"M A R I T A N A,"
In Three Acts.

MISS ELCIA MAY AS MARITANA.

CAST OF CHARACTERS:

MARITANA, Miss ELCIA MAY.
Lazarillo, Miss CLARA STANLEY.
Don Cesar de Bazar, Mr H. VERNON.
Don Jose, Mr H. PHILLIPS.
King of Spain, Mr PADDON.
Marquis de Monte, Mr J. ROLLINGS.
fiori, Mr G. ADAMS.
Alcide, Captain of the Guard, Mr J. ROLLINGS.
Marchioness, Miss E. DRAEGER.
Soldiers, &c.

MUSICAL DIRECTOR, MR F. PANIZZA.

The Operas are produced under the sole
direction of
MR H. VERNON.

Tickets to be had and Seats secured at
Messrs KREUZ & Co.'s, where a Plan of the
Theatre may be seen.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:
Dress Circle or Orchestra
Stalls, Two Dollars.
Pit, One Dollar.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen
cannot be admitted.
Hongkong, October 24, 1878.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
Mr DAVID ROBERT FENTON
CRAWFORD in our Shanghai Firm,
CEASED on 31st March last.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Shanghai, October 10, 1878.

n^o14

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE
COMPANY.

FROM This Date, and during the
Absence of the Undersigned, Mr
REGINALD DIGBY STARKEY is autho-
rized to Act as AGENT for the Company in
Hongkong.

J. KENNARD DAVIS,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 15, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr
ARTHUR CHART in our Firm
CEASED on the 31st December last.

J. INGLIS & Co.

Hongkong, June 13, 1878.

n^o13

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having This Day PUR-
CHASED the STOCK-IN-TRADE, Book
Debts, and Goodwill of the CHINA DIS-
PENSARY hitherto Carried on by Mr W.
BALL, will conduct and carry on the said
Business (in connection with the VICTORIA
DISPENSARY) on his own Account from
This Date.

WM. CRUIKSHANK.

Hongkong, August 31, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
the late Mr NG SIN FOO otherwise
called NG HOK SEE in our Firm CEASED
from the 2nd February, 1878.

TACK MEE, HOP KEE HONG,

No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West.

Hongkong, September 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
the late Mr NG SIN FOO otherwise
called NG HOK SEE in our Firm CEASED
from the 1st August, 1877, but
Debts prior to that Date will be received
and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Under-
signed has LEASED the CHINA MAIL
from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged
the services of Mr LIONG YOOK CHUN,
as Translator and General Manager of the
newspaper, which under its new régime
will be found to be, as hitherto, an ex-
cellent medium for advertising, especially
as the Manager is able to devote his whole
attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM,
Lessee of the Hongkong CHINA MAIL.

Hongkong, April 9, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will
sell by Public Auction, in their
Sales Rooms, Praya,

TO-MORROW,

the 25th October, 1878, at Noon.—
LETTER and NOTE PAPER, Fools-
cap, Blotting Paper, Envelopes, Account
Books, Toys, Engravings, Padlocks,
Knives, Butter Dishes, One Case Taps
and Dies, Sundry Engineer's Tools,
&c., &c.

Also,

A Large Quantity of Bed Linen,
Crockery, Napkins, Electro-plated and
Glassware, Table Covers, Iron Bedsteads,
Bedroom and Dining Room Furniture,
&c., &c.

Hongkong, October 24, 1878.

cc25

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public
Auction, at Mr HAJEE ESMAIL's
Godown,

TO-MORROW,

the 25th Instant, 1878, at Noon.—
1 Chest MALWA OPIUM,
Ex Str. "Guadalupe."

(More or less damaged by sea water.)
(On account of the concerned.)

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17.

H. N. MODY,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, October 24, 1878.

cc25

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
"NINGPO,"
R. CASE, Master, will be de-
spatched for the above Port TO-
MORROW, the 25th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, October 24, 1878.

cc25

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship
"AMAZONE,"
Commandant DIDIÉ, will be de-
spatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DU POURY,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 24, 1878.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship
"TANIA,"
Commandant DE LA MARCELLA,
will be despatched for YOKO-
HAMA shortly after the arrival of the next
French Mail from Europe.

H. DU POURY,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 24, 1878.

NOTICE.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—

BEUNETTE, British barque, Captain W.
DOW.—Geo. R. STEVENS & Co.

INFERNAL ELISABETH, Austrian ship,
Capt. Herglitz.—D. MUSS & Co.

INDIA, American ship, Capt. O. Patten.
Order.

DON QUIXOTE, American ship, Captain
Chas. F. KING.—Messageries Maritimes.

RALPH M. HAYWARD, American 3-m.
schooner, Capt. L. B. DOANE.—Meyer & Co.

GLAMIS, British bark, Captain Key.—
Russell & Co.

BEETHOVEN, German barque, Capt. R.
Haje.—Melschers & Co.

LOD MACALAY, British barque, Capt.
R. B. MONKMAN.—Wm. Pustau & Co.

FONTENAY, British ship, Capt. Geo. E.
TAYLOR.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

BERTHA MARION, British barque, Capt.
G. B. SCARLETT.—GILMAN & Co.

STRATEMORE, British steamer, Captain
John ROWELL.—Wm. Pustau & Co.

SPINAWAY, Brit. barque, Capt. Pringle.
Siemens & Co.

COMMISHAY, British ship, Captain A.
MORISON.—Meyer & Co.

Not Responsible for Debts.—

ERAT, British ship, Captain Chas.
ROBERTSON.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the
Undersigned in the CHINA MAIL
日報 (Wah Yee Yat Po),
CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but
Debts prior to that Date will be received
and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Under-
signed has LEASED the CHINA MAIL
from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged
the services of Mr LIONG YOOK CHUN,
as Translator and General Manager of the
newspaper, which under its new régime
will be found to be, as hitherto, an ex-
cellent medium for advertising, especially
as the Manager is able to devote his whole
attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM,
Lessee of the Hongkong CHINA MAIL.

Hongkong, April 9, 1878.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Oct. 24, VENICE, British barque, 662,
Brixton, New York May 14, Koroneia,
ORDER.

Oct. 24, FUYEE, Chinese steamer, from
Canton.

Oct. 24, HAILOONG, British steamer, 277,
F. P. C. Goode, Tamsui Oct. 18, Amoy 22,
and Swatow 23.—General.—DOUGLAS LA-
PRAIRIE & Co.

Oct. 24, PENTH, British barque, 549
Remington, Comonong Oct. 16, Salt.—
MELCHERS & Co.

Oct. 24, ALBON'S ISLE, British barque,
364, William Burgess, Quilches Oct. 12,
Salt.—REEDSMITH & Co.

Hongkong, October 17, 1878.

cc21

ARRIVALS.

DEPARTURES.

Oct. 24, Envy, for Amoy.

24, Ada Melmore, for San Francisco.

24, Brunette, for Manila.

24, Zinc Star, for Manila.

24, Lottie Moore, for New York.

24, Yesso, for Coast Ports.

24, Venetia, for Europe, &c.

24, Marilee, for Gram.

24, Cleared.

Japan, for Hamburg.

Anton, for Shanghai.

Fuyee, for Shanghai.

Ningpo, for Shanghai.

Conquest, for Holow.

Also,

A Large Quantity of Bed Linen,

Crockery, Napkins, Electro-plated and

Glassware, Table Covers, Iron Bedsteads,

Bedroom and Dining Room Furniture,

&c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, October 24, 1878.

cc25

Cleared.

Japan, for Hamburg.

Anton, for Shanghai.

Fuyee, for Shanghai.

Ningpo, for Shanghai.

Conquest, for Holow.

Also,

A Large Quantity of Bed Linen,

Crockery, Napkins, Electro-plated and

Glassware, Table Covers, Iron Bedsteads,

Bedroom and Dining Room Furniture,

&c., &c., &c.

Mr Justice Russell sat in Summary Jurisdiction to-day, but the litigants were Chinese, and the cases were of no interest to our readers.

The British barque *Verona*, from New York with a cargo of Kerosine Oil, reports having been ashore on Leith Island, Gaspar Straits, and a part of the cargo had to be jettisoned before she could be floated. The vessel herself sustained little or no damage.

The Band 74th Highlanders will perform the following programme at the Officer's Mess to-morrow night, commencing at 9.15 p.m.:

Quadrille, *Un Ballo in Maschera*, Strauss. Overture, *Zarath*, ...Auber. Polonaise, *Las Malagueñas*, Taberner. Valses, *Les Rives*, ...O'Meara. Galop, ...Miner, ...Bergman.

The Band will also perform the following programme on the Cricket Ground to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 4 p.m.:

March, ...Cannon, ...Gung-L. Overture, ...Le Macon, ...Auber. Selection, ...Grand Duchesse, ...Offenbach. Quadrille, ...Martha, ...Buchanan. Valse, ...Blue Danube, ...Gung-L. Polonaise, ...Faust, ...Gounod. Galop, ...Ulaner, ...Hertzl.

MR J. BUCHANAN, Bandmaster.

We are given to understand that the British ship *Arabia*, which we reported a few days back as having put into Amoy dismasted, and otherwise damaged, has not fallen into pleasant places. The *Arabia* left this port bound to Callao; and she met her misfortune in the neighbourhood of the Faraccells; she could therefore as easily have turned back this way, as she made Amoy, and her owners and underwriters would have benefited by the alteration in the programme. At least, if our information is correct, the modest sum of \$58,000 is asked by the Amoy folks to complete the necessary repairs to the unfortunate vessel, and, without assuming to know too much of the art of sawing or chipping wood, or the price of copper or tar, we fancy some of the enterprising folks here would have been found willing enough to accept a modicum of that sum for the work, while Hongkong workmanship is not generally considered the worst in the world. We would suggest a tow down as likely to lessen the evil.

A RAMBLE around the western part of the western district of the Colony did not impress us so favorably with our public works department, as did a stroll in the opposite direction a few days ago. Starting from the Cross Roads, we noted the demolition of the premises lately occupied by Messrs Blackhead & Co., opposite the No. 5 Police Station, which is to be replaced by Chinese houses, and we only cite it as another sign of the rapid decrease in the value of foreign house property as against Chinese.

The Praya has been patched up where the late gale made inroads, but in a very temporary manner. The roads in the neighbourhood of the West Point Foundry are still in nearly the same state as they were left after the heavy rains of four or five months ago; the road alongside and to the eastward of the Foundry being open, and in a very dangerous condition, along its entire length. We were glad to note that the Wharves at West Point between the Sailors' Home and the Gas-works, to the dilapidated and dangerous condition of which we drew attention some time ago, are being put in a state of repair, and will soon be presentable. The bridge across the Patent Slip, which the Patent Slip and Dock Company have been ordered to construct, owing to the continuation of the road to the new Cattle Shed at Lap-sap-wan, is rapidly approaching completion. So much for what is being done, but now as to what is not being done; the hovels, and their name is legion, in the rear of the Gas-works especially, are greatly in want of sanitary reform; they are nearly all of the squatters' hut type, and quite unfit for human habitation. It is a great pity they were not all swept away, when so many were destroyed during the time the forts were in course of construction. The roads and nullahs, are unworthy the name; they were much cut up during the rains of this year, and gas and water pipes have been laid bare in all directions, without the slightest apparent attempt at repair. Stagnant pools of water and heaps of filth are to be found in all directions in the neighbourhood, and the approaches to Belcher's Bay; and pigs and children are allowed to run wallowing in a luxury of filth.

Station Street, and the immediate neighbourhood above Po Lok Theatre, is a disgrace to the Colony; few Europeans ever, unless it may perhaps be a stray policeman, probably visit this neighbourhood, which is above the main thoroughfare, but what we saw to-day would lead one to imagine that the roads here never receive the smallest attention, although the neighbourhood is thickly peopled. The inhabitants, are probably the lowest scum of the Colony, but they are nevertheless human, and pay taxes in some shape or form, and these poor houses are allowed to

stand in our midst, hot beds of disease. The lowest alms in London are a paradise to them. The contrast when once one emerges into the Caine Road is so marked, that it appears positively unfair to lavish so much expense on ourselves whilst we leave these, the Chinese, to wallow in filth and misery. It is useless to say that they are naturally filthy; the sin is none the less our own; it is our duty to compel them to be outwardly clean whilst living amongst us. A little less outlay on superfluous walls, and new and pretty walks in the centre of the town—if there be no other alternative—would enable some attention to be given to this pest-house of Hongkong.

THERE were very few cases before the sitting magistrate (Mr Creagh) to-day. There was one case of no light or passing, two for assault, the defendant in one case being a European seaman, named Richard Dogherty, who was charged with assaulting a hawker and stealing some bananas. Dogherty appears to be rather a desperate rascal as he has only been about a week out of gaol, where he had been confined for two months for stabbing the chief officer of the vessel he belonged to. On the present occasion, it appears, that he stole a few bananas from a hawker's stall, and when the man remonstrated with him, he struck him in the mouth. A number of hawkers took part in endeavouring to arrest Dogherty, who, thereupon, doubles thinking discretion the better part of valour, made off as fast as possible, and so determined was he to escape pursuit that he jumped over a retaining wall 16 feet high, and was then arrested by Sergeant Hennessy. Mr Creagh sent him to 3 weeks' hard labour for the larceny, and fined him \$10 or one month's hard labour for the assault.

Two seamen, named James Pritchard and William Mortimer, were charged with being stragglers from the American ship, *George Skofield*. The defendants complained of ill-treatment on board the ship. Mortimer, who acted as spokesman, and gave evidence of his being what is generally known as a sea lawyer, said: Well, Sir, we have been knocked about all shapes, it is no use your sending me back to that ship, for I would rather be hung, drawn, and quartered first, I won't go there, so it's no use sending of us. I for one won't go, our lives are not safe on board of her. They have threatened to throw us overboard, if we came on board again, and they will do it too. I will make away with myself or somebody else if I am sent on board. I am a British subject, and I claim the protection of the British flag.

His Worship remarked that they could only claim the protection of the flag under which they sailed.

Mortimer replied: What's the use? the Captain has been to the Consul and poisoned his mind, we've been kicked and cuffed, and knocked about in all shapes, we can't get any redress there, and looky here, Sir, if we are sent on board, I'll jump overboard. We have been kept in irons in this harbour by the Captain for 36 hours, and I want to know if that is harbour law, if that is Maritime law.

Defendant continued to talk in this strain, and added: Well, I only wish Pimlott was here.

Pritchard, the other defendant, said: We are not seamen, we are firemen. We shipped whilst drunk.

Mortimer added: Yes, and the Captain is constantly reminding us that we are no seamen. If we are no use, why does he want to keep us. I know why, we have got nothing coming to us. If we had \$200 or \$300 coming to us, we could run away, and he would help us to do so.

Pritchard: Yes, Your Worship, and I have had all my clothes stolen by the men; and I have got nothing now but what I stand upright in.

Mortimer: Never mind your clothes, friend, it's not only your clothes, but your heart's blood which has been stolen. I only wish I could see Pimlott's Agent here.

His Worship, after listening to much of this sort of talk, remanded the case until Saturday, and directed the police to take the defendants before the U. S. Consul and give them an opportunity to make their complaints before him.

The following paragraph appears in the *Japan Daily Advertiser* of Oct. 8th:—

"We hear, by the way, that a new weekly paper is projected in Hongkong, for which the services of Mr Balfour, lately connected with the Shanghai press, have been secured. It is reported that the new journal is to be run in the interests of the Governor and the Roman Catholic Bishop, and is to be supported either by direct subsidy, or indirectly by Government printing, &c. It is very right that a Government should have an organ in the press to defend its action—but under present circumstances, we cannot anticipate for the new venture a particularly brilliant commercial success, nor can we congratulate a gentleman of Mr Balfour's standing upon his connection with it."

—This must be nonsense.—ED. C. M.

A POETICAL CONTRAST.

THE DOVE AND THE BAVEN.
To the Editor of *The Detroit Free Press*.

Few poems have been more widely read than Poe's "The Baven," so peculiar in its style and gloomy in its thought and conception. For long years it has hung over the human heart with a dark, despondent chillness, and where sorrow and loss and disappointment had found a lodgment in a weak and sensitive nature, it has made the gloom darker, the loss heavier and the disappointment still greater. Echoing through the sad portals of bereaved and lonely hearts, the refrain of "Nevermore" has been the death knell of hopes that might have been turned into renewed life by a more cheerful faith and a brighter and happier visitant from "Aiden." With this view of the matter in his mind, my gifted friend, Rev. J. H. Martin, D.D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta, has written a companion poem,

"The Dove," which takes a more cheerful and soul-inspiring view of the "dear departed." Instead of a dark winged messenger of sorrow and gloom, a bird of brighter plumage and sweeter voice comes back from "Aiden" to the silent chamber of the bereaved lover. To all Christian hearts that look beyond mere literary excellence, this tender poem of faith and hope will prove most acceptable. Its author has published a volume of poems and many of his hymns and lyrics are much admired for their purity of thought and graceful measure. "The Dove" is a production that needs no commendation from my poor pen, and I desire only to state that it comes before the public at my earnest solicitation, and after considerable hesitation on the part of the accomplished author. I am sure that the just study and comparison of the two poems—aside from their literary merits—will do your readers good. It can but serve to encourage and strengthen their faith and whisper comforting words to their bereaved and stricken hearts.

Atlanta, Ga. SIDNEY HERBERT.

THE DOVE.

A COMPANION TO POE'S BAVEN.
Once upon a summer evening,
I lay reposing, dreaming.

While the twinkling stars were beaming
And their light was faintly gleaming.

Through the window of my room,
Suddenly beside my pillow,

Like the murmur of a bellow,

Or the sigh of weeping willow,

"Mid the shadow and the gloom,

There was heard a gentle sound,

Floating on the air around,

As an echo from above;

And I, walking, saw a dove

Perched upon the whitened head

Of a statue near my bed,

And it seemed with soft, low cooing

My lone heart to soothe with woing,

Like an angel from the sky,

Or a spirit hovering nigh.

While I lay entranced and dreaming,

Startled by the echo seeming,

To be whispered from above,

In the starlight faintly gleaming,

With its form of beauty beaming,

I beheld the snowy dove:

With a thrill of wonder, gazing

On the visitor, amazed.

I demanded: "Who are you?"

And the gentle bird of whiteness,

With its snowy robe of brightness,

Answered with a coo:

"I am sent," he said, "from Aiden,

By a fair and lovely maiden,

With a message unto thee;

I am come to sooth thy sorrow,

Bid thee from despair to sorrow,

Hope that thou her face shall see;

For thy cherished one is living,

And her thoughts to thee is giving,

On a bright and distant shore;

And I come, her carrier dove,

With a message from thy love,

Who is thine for evermore."

By this joyful news excited,

Exulted, ravished and delighted,

I, the snowy bird addressing,

Asked, with earnest voice inquiring,

What my soul was most desiring,

That her name to me expressing,

Ho would set my heart at rest—

Still the tumult in my breast,

And assure me that my maiden,

In the distant fields of Aiden,

Waited for me on that shore—

Would be mine for evermore,

Then I spoke with greater fervor,

I, the maiden's ardent lover:

"Does my own departed live?"

(To the bird of whiteness listening

While my eager eyes were glistening,

For the answer he should give);

"Tell me, O thou carrier dove,

Of my absent, cherished love;

Whom I knew in days of yore;

Has she passed the shining portal

Of the blessed land immortal.

Going through the golden door?

Does she move in light and splendor,

Do the graces all attend her,

On that fair and distant shore?"

Words and tones and looks revealing

All my depths of inward feeling,

Moved, affected by my pleading,

And my anxious question heeding,

Thus the dove, my soul discerning,

Answer made, these words returning:

"In the distant fields of Aiden,

On a bright, Elysian shore,

Dwells a fair and lovely maiden,

And her name is Elinore;

Mid the dowers about her blooming,

Mid the odors sweet perfumeing,

All the balmy air around,

She, arrayed in robes of whiteness,

Walks an angel in her brightness,

With a wreath immortal crowned."

Then the bird, his wings unfolding,

Left me as I lay beholding,

Filled with transport and delight;

With a soft, sonorous coo,

Nodding, bidding me adieu,

Through the open window flew,

Out into the gloomy night,

But the bright, enchanting vision

Of the distant fields of Elysian,

As a fair and lovely maiden,

Dwelling in the land of Aiden,

Is my light for evermore.

There shall I, my loved one greeting,</

To Let.

TO LET.
HOUSE No. 7, Caine Road, occupied by The Hon. CECIL SMITH.
House No. 7, Zetland Street, at present occupied by Mr. HEUERMANN.
DAVID SASSOON, Sons & Co., Hongkong, October 7, 1878.

TO LET.
THREE OFFICES, in Club Chambers, The BUNGALOW, No. 2, Shelley Street.
Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

TO LET.
IN the House on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue House, situated on Praya East.—

FIRST FLOOR and BASEMENT of No. 2, Praya East, either separately, or together, as required, with immediate possession.

HOUSE No. 3, Praya East. The whole House or in Flats, with immediate possession.

As also,
SIX SPACIOUS ROOMS, with Corridors and Out-houses in the DWELLING HOUSE, to the Eastward of the Pier at Wan-chai. These may be had in Apartments of Two or Three Rooms to suit convenience. Fine spacious Verandah looking on the Harbour. Immediate Possession.

TO LET.
FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODDOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wan-chai, MARINE LOT 65.
For further particulars, apply to MEYER & Co., Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

TO BE LET.
TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODDOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.
Apply to TURNER & Co., Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

Intimations.

Volume Seventh of the "CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.
No. 1.—Vol. VII.—
OF THE
CHINA REVIEW
CONTAINS—

The Chinese in Borneo.
Jottings from the Book of Rites.
The Character 𠂔 or 𠂔.
On the Use of the Character 𠂔.
Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ung-ming.
The Critical Disquisitions of Wang Ch'ung.
Geographical Notes on the Province of Kiangsi.
The Ballads of the Shih-king.
Translations of Chinese School-books.
Perkin Warbeck in China.
Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.
Notes and Queries.—
Dutch Doctors in Borneo.
The Giraffe and the K'lin.
On the Syllabic Spelling.
Locus Operari in Floggling.
Early Frost in Canton, in 1877-8.
A Chinese Coin.
Annamese Sovereigns.
Chinese Bank-notes.
Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.
China Mail Office,
Hongkong, Sept. 10, 1878.

Notices to Consignees.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. 474.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. Gange, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 10 a.m., the 16th Inst., at 8 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining undelivered after SATURDAY, the 19th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. pt. POUEY,

Agent.

Hongkong, October 14, 1878.

HONG LISTS.

Circular, large sheet.
THE AMENDED HONG LIST in English and Chinese, containing the Names of all the most important Companies, Institutions and Mercantile Houses in the Colony.

Price, 25 cents each; or \$2.50 per dozen.

at the "China Mail" Office.

Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, AND
MARSEILLES;

ALSO,
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

ON THURSDAY, the 31st October, 1878, at Noon, the Company's S. S. YANGTSE, Commandant KAPAREL, with MAIL, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 30th October, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

H. pt. POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 18, 1878.

oc31

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL
AND
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES
AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

OLYPHANT & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

OLYPHANT & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on FRIDAY, the 1st November, at Noon, taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 31st October. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSENGER TICKETS.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 31, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, October 17, 1878.

no1

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH to NEW YORK, via
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. MAIL STEAMERS CITY OF PEKING will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on FRIDAY, the 15th November, at 3 o'clock p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Island Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

On Through PASSAGES to EUROPE, a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT from Regular Rates is granted to OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY, AND MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. of 14th November. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 3, Queen's Road Central.

RUSSELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, October 28, 1878.

no18

INSURANCES.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are proposed to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

no15

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurance at current rates.

MELCHERS & CO., Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

no18

HONG LISTS.

Circular, large sheet.

THE AMENDED HONG LIST

in English and Chinese, con-

taining the Names of all the most

important Companies, Institutions

and Mercantile Houses in the

Colony.

Price, 25 cents each; or \$2.50

per dozen.

at the "China Mail" Office.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

no18

Insurances.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL.—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant

Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, or Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of

Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-

ceived, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on

first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single

Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-

posals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,

Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1874.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept

RISKS at GREATLY REDUCED

RATES, and upon Terms very favourable

to the Assured.

OLYPHANT & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, October 17, 1874.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on

Marine Risks to all parts of the World.

In accordance with the Company's Articles

of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits

are distributed annually to Contributors,

whether Shareholders or not, in proportion

to the net amount of Premium contributed

by each, the remaining third being carried

to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & CO.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSUR-

ANCE COMPANY.

ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

OLYPHANT & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

THE Undersigned having been appointed

Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to Grant

POLICIES against FIRE on Buildings and

on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the

usual Rates, subject to an immediate Dis-

count of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable

reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in

China.

MEYER & CO.

Hongkong, August 13, 1878.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE COMPANY, INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed

Agents for the above Corporation as

proposed to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either

here, in London, or at the principal Ports

of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at